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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1. (currently amended) A method for facilitating a wireless transaction, said transaction involving a payment obligation on behalf of a requester and a fulfillment obligation on behalf of an entity offering a product or service to provide said product or service, comprising:

communicating a first transaction code to a wireless communication device, said code representative of a ~~previously requested~~ wireless transaction for a product or service, ~~said wireless transaction~~ requested by a transaction requester that has indicated an acceptance of an obligation to pay for said product or service;

optically scanning, by a transaction fulfillment system, the first transaction code from a visual display of the wireless communication device in fulfillment of said wireless transaction for a said product or service; and

triggering, by said transaction fulfillment system, a wireless transaction fulfillment event in response to optically scanning said first transaction code whereby said offering entity fulfills said obligation to provide said product or service and removes said product or service for which said obligation has been fulfilled from being an available offering of said entity.

Claim 2. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein communicating the first transaction code includes communicating the first transaction code from the transaction fulfillment system.

Claim 3. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein communicating the first transaction code includes communicating the first transaction code from a radio transceiver of the transaction fulfillment system to a radio transceiver of the wireless communication device.

Claim 4. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein communicating the first transaction code includes communicating the first transaction code from a transaction management system.

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Claim 5. (original) The method of claim 1, further comprising: verifying the first transaction code in response to scanning the first transaction code.

Claim 6. (original) The method of claim 5 wherein verifying the first transaction code includes communicating a decoded representation of the first transaction code from the transaction fulfillment system to a transaction management system.

Claim 7. (original) The method of claim 5, further comprising: communicating a first fulfillment verification from the transaction fulfillment system to a transaction management system after verifying the first transaction code.

Claim 8. (original) The method of claim 7, further comprising: communicating a second transaction code to the wireless communication device after verifying the first transaction code; and verifying the second transaction code.

Claim 9. (original) The method of claim 8, further comprising: communicating a second fulfillment verification from the transaction fulfillment system to the transaction management system after verifying the second transaction code.

Claim 10. (original) The method of claim 8 wherein verifying the second transaction code includes communicating a decoded representation of the second transaction code from the transaction fulfillment system to a transaction management system.

Claim 11. (original) The method of claim 8 wherein communicating the first transaction code includes communicating the first transaction code from the transaction fulfillment system.

Claim 12. (original) The method of claim 11 wherein communicating the first and the second transaction codes includes communicating the first and the second transaction codes directly from the transaction fulfillment system to the wireless communication device.

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Claim 13. (original) The method of claim 12 wherein communicating the first and the second transaction codes directly from the transaction fulfillment system includes communicating the first and the second transaction codes from a radio transceiver of the transaction fulfillment system to a radio transceiver of the wireless communication device.

Claim 14. (original) The method of claim 8 wherein communicating the first and the second transaction codes includes communicating the first and the second transaction codes from the transaction management system to the wireless communication device.

Claim 15. (original) The method of claim 8 wherein communicating the first transaction code and the second transaction code includes communicating a first transaction barcode and a second transaction barcode, respectively.

Claim 16. (original) The method of claim 8, further comprising: communicating a message from the transaction fulfillment system to the wireless communication device after verifying the second transaction code.

Claim 17. (original) The method of claim 16 wherein communicating the message includes communicating the message directly from the transaction fulfillment system to the wireless communication device.

Claim 18. (original) The method of claim 17 wherein communicating the message directly from the transaction fulfillment system includes communicating the message from a radio transceiver of the transaction fulfillment system to a radio transceiver of the wireless communication device.

Claim 19. (original) The method of claim 1, further comprising: receiving, by the transaction fulfillment system, a transaction request from the wireless communication device prior to communicating the first transaction code.

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Claim 20. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein communicating the first transaction code includes communicating a first optically scannable transaction code.

Claim 21. (currently amended) A method for facilitating a wireless transaction, comprising:
receiving a transaction request for admission to an event from a transaction requester,
said event being selected and paid for by said transaction requester in connection with said transaction request;

optically scanning, by a transaction fulfillment system, a transaction code from a visual display of a wireless communication device, said code representative of said requested transaction for admission to ~~an~~ said selected and paid for event; and

enabling fulfillment of the transaction request in response to scanning the transaction code, including triggering at least one physical fulfillment event to allow admission to said selected and paid for event.

Claim 22. (currently amended) A method for facilitating a wireless transaction, said transaction involving a payment obligation on behalf of a requester and a fulfillment obligation on behalf of a provider to provide a product or service, comprising:

receiving, by a transaction fulfillment system, a transaction request for a product or service from a transaction requester that has indicated an acceptance of an obligation to pay for said product or service;

verifying an identity of the transaction requester;

communicating a transaction code from the transaction fulfillment system to a wireless communication device after verifying the identity of the transaction requester, said code representative of said transaction requested;

optically scanning, by the transaction fulfillment system, the transaction code from a visual display of the wireless communication device in fulfillment of said transaction for a product or service; and

triggering, by said transaction fulfillment system, a wireless transaction fulfillment event in response to optically scanning said first transaction code whereby said provider fulfills said obligation to provide said product or service and said requested product or service is received.

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Claim 23. (canceled)

Claim 24. (previously presented) The system of claim 37 wherein the transaction fulfillment system is coupled to a telecommunication network system for enabling communication with the wireless communication device.

Claim 25. (original) The system of claim 24 wherein the transaction fulfillment system is coupled to the telecommunication network through a computer network system.

Claim 26. (original) The system of claim ~~37~~ 23 wherein the transaction fulfillment system is coupled to a wireless data network system for enabling communication with the wireless communication device.

Claim 27. (original) The system of claim 26 wherein the transaction management system is coupled to the wireless data network system through a computer network system.

Claim 28. (original) The system of claim 27 wherein the wireless data network system includes a wireless local area network system.

Claim 29. (previously presented) The system of claim 37, further comprising: a transaction management system coupled to the transaction fulfillment system and capable of: verifying an identity of a transaction requester.

Claim 30. (original) The system of claim 29 wherein the transaction management system includes speech services module for audibly verifying the identity of the transaction requester 31.

Claim 31. (original) The system of claim 30 wherein the speech services module is capable of

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receiving a spoken authentication code from the wireless communication device and authenticating the spoken authentication code.

Claim 32. (original) The system of claim 31 wherein the speech services module includes a voice authentication system for comparing the spoken authentication code to an authentic voice print.

Claim 33. (previously presented) The system of claim 37 wherein the transaction fulfillment system includes a code scanning device for optically scanning the transaction code.

Claim 34. (original) The system of claim 33 wherein the code scanning device includes a bar code reader.

Claim 35. (previously presented) The system of claim 37 wherein the transaction fulfillment system is capable of decoding the transaction code in response to optically scanning the transaction code.

Claim 36. (previously presented) The system of claim 37 wherein the transaction fulfillment system and the wireless communication device each include a radio transceiver for enabling communication directly between the wireless communication device and the transaction fulfillment system.

Claim 37. (currently amended) A system for facilitating a wireless transaction, said transaction involving a payment obligation on behalf of a requester and a fulfillment obligation on behalf of an entity offering a product or service to provide said product or service, comprising:

means for communicating, via a transaction apparatus, a transaction code to a wireless communication device, said code representative of a ~~previously requested~~ wireless transaction for a product or service, ~~said wireless transaction~~ requested by a transaction requester that has indicated an acceptance of an obligation to pay for said product or service;

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means for optically scanning, via said transaction apparatus, the transaction code from a visual display of the wireless communication device in fulfillment of said wireless transaction for a product or service; and

means for triggering, by said transaction fulfillment system, a wireless transaction fulfillment event in response to optically scanning said first transaction code whereby said provider fulfills said obligation to provide said product or service and said requested product or service is received.

Claim 38. (currently amended) A system for facilitating a wireless transaction, comprising:

means for receiving, via a transaction fulfillment system, a transaction request for admission to an event from a transaction requester, said event being selected and paid for by said transaction requester in connection with said transaction request;

means for optically scanning, by said transaction fulfillment system, a transaction code from a visual display of the wireless communication device, said code representative of said requested transaction for admission to ~~an~~ said selected and paid for event; and

means for enabling fulfillment of the transaction request in response to scanning the transaction code, including triggering at least one physical fulfillment event to allow admission to said selected and paid for event.